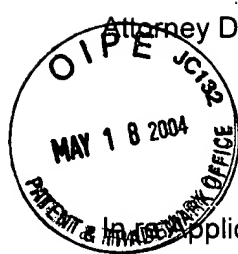


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Inventor Application of: Blinkovsky et al.

Confirmation No: 8547

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For: Carboxypeptidases and Nucleic Acids Encoding Same

AMENDMENT FEE TRANSMITTAL

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an Amendment for the above-identified application in response to the Office Action mailed **December 16, 2003**.

It is respectfully requested that the time for response to the Office Action be extended for a period of **2 months** from **March 17, 2004** to **May 16, 2004**. The required fee for the extension is estimated to be **\$420.00**.

The fee for claims has been calculated as shown below:

Total: $22 - 20 = 2 \times \$18 = \36.00

Independent: $1 - 3 = 0 \times \$86 = \0

Total additional fee for claims required is **\$36.00**.

Please charge the required extension and claims fees, estimated to be **\$456.00**, to Novozymes North America, Inc., Deposit Account No. 50-1701. A duplicate of this sheet is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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Date: May 14, 2004

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In response to the Office Action dated December 16, 2003, please amend the above-captioned application as follows:

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